STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 08-05

EXECUTIVE ORDER PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY TO EXIST IN CARBON COUNTY, MONTANA

WHEREAS, on Friday May 20, 2005, and late into the night and early Saturday morning, flooding and rapid runoff caused landslides at several locations on US Highway 212, the Beartooth Highway, in Carbon County; and

WHEREAS, the landslides caused by the rapid runoff have resulted in serious and extensive damage to both public and private property and, as a consequence, the State of Montana has sustained severe damage to US Highway 212, Beartooth Highway, a Federal-aid highway; and

WHEREAS, damage throughout Carbon County and to the Beartooth Highway has been of such an extent that immediate repairs have been necessary, and such conditions constitute an emergency as is contemplated by the terms of Sections 125 and 120(e) of Title 23, U.S.C.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SCHWEITZER, Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor under the Constitution of the State of Montana, and Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and under other applicable statutes, do hereby declare that an emergency exists in Carbon County, State of Montana, as a result of flooding and rapid runoff and the consequent danger to life and damage to property including Federal-aid highways. The immediate repair and reconstruction of the damage to the Beartooth Highway is vital to the security, well-being, economy, and health of the citizens of Carbon County and the State of Montana; and the Federal Highway Administrator is hereby requested to concur in the declaration of this emergency.

This Executive is effective May 27, 2005

GIVEN under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this

7 day of May, 2005.

BRIAN SCHWEITZER, Governor

ATTEST:

BRAD JOHNSON, Secretary of State

for